Advisors in Indian System of Medicines in this Ministry;

(b) whether similar number of posts exist in Homoeopathic system of medicines also;

(c) if not, what are the reasons therefor;

(d) whether the existing lone post of Deputy Advisor in Homoeopathic System has been upgraded; and

(e) if so, what is the justification for abolishing the post of Deputy Advisor;

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) The number of Advisors, Deputy Advisors and Asstt. Advisors in Indian System of Medicine is as under:-

	Ayurveda	Unani
(1) Adviser	1	
(2) Dy. Adviser	2	1 (Vacant)
(3) Asstt. Adviser	1	

(b) The number of similar posts in Homoeopahtic system of Machine is as under:-

(1) Adviser	1
(2) Dy. Adviser	..
(3) Asstt. Adviser	4

(c) The number of posts is determined keeping in view the actual requirements for a particular job.

(d) The existing one post of Dy.Advisor (Homoeopathy) has been upgraded as Advisor (Homoeopathy). The effect of upgradation is the abolition of the existing post and creation of a new post.

(e) The post of Dy. Advisor has been upgraded for strengthening the Technical Wing in Homoeopathy in the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.

Approval for increase in the prices of imported finished medicines

764. SHRIMATI RATAN KUMARI: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that according to DPCO, 1987 every importer of imported finished medicines has to obtain price approval or price increase as the case may be before marketing the product;

(b) if so, what are the names of finished formulations for which his Ministry has diven approval/revision in prices during the period 1st January, 1990 to 30th April, 1990;

(c) what was the price granted for each strength of each product;

(d) whether it is a fact that Cefazol and Ompatex are based on imported bulk drugs;

(e) what are the names of bulk drugs and what is the quantity imported and CIF price of imports during the last two years, yearwise; and

(f) what is the present price of one injection of these medicines and what was its earlier price and what is the percentage increase in each case?

THE MINISTER OF PETROLEUM AND CHEMICALS (SHRI M. S. GURUPADASWAMY): (a) No, Sir, Prior approval of the Government is required only in respect of Category I and gory II imported formulations.

(b) No Price approval/revision in prices for imported finished formulations has been given during January, 1990 to 30th April, 1990.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Yes Sir.

(e) Details of imports of bulk drugs and their quantity are not monitored by my Ministry.

(f) To the extent available, the information is given in the Statement.

Statement

Sl. No.	Name of the Product	Price before DPCD 1987	Present Price	Percentage increase
1	Cefazol Inj. 1 gm vial	..	51.46	.. (Source : Indian Pharmaceutical Guide, 1989).
2	Omnatax 250 mg. vial	44.09 1-11-87	44.34	0.57
3	1 gm vial	155.12 1-11-87	156.00	0.57
	2 gm. vial	..	300.00	..

Eradication of Quackery in Medical Profession

765. DR. YELAMANCHLI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of unregistered medical practitioners (Quacks) who are working in the country, State-wise; and

(b) what steps have been taken to eradicate this problem ?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATON (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) No reliable informaton is available regarding the number of unregistered medical practitioners working in the country.

(b) Penal provisions already exist in the Indian Medical Council Act, 1956, the Indian Medicine Central Council Act, 1970 and the Homoeopathy Central Council Act, 1973 to the effect that no person other than a medical practitioner enrolled on the State Medical Register shall practice medicine in any State and any person contravening this provision shall be punishable with imprisonment for a term which may extend to one year or with fine which may extend to Rs. 1,000/- or both. The Government of India have advised the State Governments/Union Territories to invoke the penal provisions against unqualified medical practitioners. It is proposed to amend the Indian Medical Council Act, 1956 to enhance the term of imprisonment and the fine.

CGHS dispensary at Gole Market

766. SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY : Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government are aware that CGHS beneficiaries of Gole Market Number-I dispensary are being subjected to great harrassment and inconvenience due to non-availability of essential medicines prescribed by the specialists and indifferent and unhelpful attitude of the Medical Officer in charge of the dispensary towards its beneficiaries; and

(b) if so, what steps Government propose to take in this regard ?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI ARIF MOHD. KHAN): (a) and (b) Only one complaint was received regarding functioning of CGHS dispensary, Gole Market No. 1 which was investigated and